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For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING AN	)	
ELECTRO-OPTICAL DEVICE	)	

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

The undersigned certifies (with the exception of the family patents noted below) that either (1) each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in connection with a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this statement, or (2) no item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and to my knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

Applicants wish to note that JP-11-143379; JP-10-268360; WO-1995/025149; and JP-10-134961 were cited in a counterpart Japanese application on August 22, 2006. U.S. Patent No. 6,335,716; U.S. Publication No. 2002/0079484; and U.S. Publication No. 2005/0041122 are cited in the same family as JP-11-143379; U.S. Patent No. 6,593,990; U.S. Patent No. 6,927,826, U.S. Patent No. 6,115,090 (previously cited); U.S. Publication No. U.S. 2001/0002144 and U.S. 2005/0264740 are in the same family as JP 10-268360. EP 702075 and U.S. Patent No. 5,821,003 are in the same family as WO 1995/025149.

It is requested that the accompanying PTO-1449 be considered and made of record in the above-identified application. To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initial a copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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